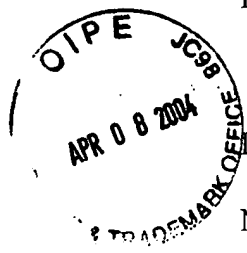


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to evaluation on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as on the following page. This Amendment adds to the specification the identification of Federal financial assistance to at least part of the development of the invention.